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Utility Patent Application

Nipple adapter for a bottle comprising a screw neck

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WHAT IS CLAIMED

1. An adapter for adapting a nipple end-piece having an internally threaded ring onto a bottle having an outer threaded neck, said adapter comprising an outer threaded sidewall on one end for receiving said internally threaded ring of the end-piece, an internally threaded chimney on the other end of the adapter adapted for cooperating with said neck of the bottle, and a skirt within said chimney and connected to said chimney, shaped and positioned so that it cooperates sealingly with an internal face of the neck of the bottle when the adapter is fixed thereon by screwing its chimney onto said neck of the bottle.
2. The adapter as claimed in claim 1 wherein said chimney is connected to said skirt by a substantially flat annular portion.
3. The adapter as claimed in claim 1 wherein the diameter of said inner threaded chimney is about .75 to 1.5 inches and the diameter of the external threaded sidewall about 1.25 inches.
4. The adapter as claimed in claim 1 wherein the adapter is configured to act as an extension of the bottle neck, thereby creating a neck which an infant or toddler can easily grasp.
5. The adapter as claimed in claim 1 wherein the adapter is configured to act as an extension of the bottle neck, making it accessible for a caregiver to disassemble for cleaning.